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Immanuel 1771

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Dear Sir.

I hope you received my letter of the 17th instant with a letter and a packet for Mr. Dorrington. I received yours with the several inclosed, and am beholding to Burgvermaster Witten for the kindness of his recommendations. I have no more to say to Loren Isdejaast Adams, God almighty direct him as is best for him. I shall see to write to Mr. Scharschmidt, since it pleased Providence to call for him away from Moscon, we must submit to it. Nevertheless I trust to God, he will nevertheless show us some benefite if Mr. Scharschmidt having been at Moscon. I am glad to hear our library increases, my brother hath got Futhers Catechism in Russian, which my father brought with him from Stockholm where it was printed, which I intend to send you from Erfurt, that my brothers name may also be amongst the benefactors for the said library. I am glad to hear

that Baumeister (Carpzov) hath promised you a visit,
one of his main objections was, the making dancing
and playing sinful in it self; he owned, they
were generally occasions of sin, and that it was
better to delight in something else; but he thought
it was hard to persuade people plunged in greater
crimes of the sinfulness of dancing and playing,
upon which account they afterwards slighted
indifferently what Pietists said against Sin.
In the mean time ^{he} was of my opinion that
it was an unpardonable thing in the Antipietists,
to render suspected and odious the thing itself,
which the Pietists aim at, namely Godliness and
holiness; whereas they should propose and think
of better means and methods, if they thought
those of the Pietists either impracticable or
unadvisable. Mr. Hamberger, Professor

of Mathematics here, who answered y^r letter to Weigel,
 pleaseth me mightly well, being not only ingenious
 and clear in teaching, but likewise of a temper
 inclined to Piety. He supped with us last night
 at Dr. Bruckners, but to my sorrow I was told there
 were very few here that favoured the Pictists.
 My brother is unexpectedly ordered to go to Erfort
 to morrow, which obligeth me to leave this
 place a day sooner than I designed. If you should
 send any thing hither by to morrows post, care
 will be taken of it, but hereafter I would have
 you send to Erfort, what you have for me,
 directing it to Dr. Bruckners house there
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Leua March the 21. 1698.

Your faithfull friend and
 humble servant

J W Ludolf

For Mr. Frank
Professor of the Germ.
and Languages

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